

## **Akshit Rungta, BSc Computing Science**

### **Why you got involved**

It's hard looking for a part-time job in IT, but NWE helped me get one very easily. The application process was straightforward and I wanted something related to my degree rather than just working at a store or pub.

I was happy with how things went on for my first term-time placement which encouraged me to apply for a summer placement under the same scheme.



### **Main role and activities**

For the term-time placement I was asked to redesign a music store's website to have a user-friendly interface. Along with that, I also worked on improving the in-store applications that were used for processing.

At my summer placement with PrismTech I worked on a cloud computing application and designed solutions to match the company's needs. I also worked for a while on web-services.

### **Most Enjoyable Aspect**

I enjoyed every bit of both my placements. My employers were really helpful and I made a lot of new friends at these places and occasionally went on night out's with my colleagues.

### **Most rewarding aspect**

Both the jobs were related to my course and it gave me a lot of advantage while working on my assignments and other projects. Along with that, I learned what I should expect when working as a graduate.

### **Fitting it around your degree**

The job was very flexible and I could easily adjust my working hours around my University schedule. When I had a lot of work at university, I could work at home and communicate with my employer over the phone about my progress.

The summer placement has helped me decide a good topic for my final year project. It has also given me a good idea about what kind of job to look for when applying for a job as a graduate.

### **How you have benefitted**

Working at RPM helped me get a permanent part-time job. When I finished my NWE with them they hired me to help them improve their other IT related projects.

Prismtech were happy with the work that I did over the summer and offered me a one year placement which is going to be a huge advantage for me.